9th August 1929]

Proposed reorganization of the Forest department.

*189 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: With reference to my question No. 1724 answered on 14th March 1929, and the answer given thereto, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased—

(i) to place before the Council

(a) the questionnaire issued by Government for the proposed reorganization of the Forest department;

(b) the answers received by Government ; and

(c) the orders passed by Government thereon ; and

(ii) to state whether Government have decided to appoint a committee to enquire into the Forest policy of Government, and if not, why not?

A.—(i) & (ii) The replies to the questionnaire recently received are now under examination and until it is completed the Government do not propose to take the action suggested.

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA:—"May I know whether the questionnaire deals with questions on the growth of forests and the evils of the forests on the ryots and cultivators?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"I am not in a position to remember all the questions. I want notice."

Contributions by Native States for students trained at the Forest College, Coimbatore.

*190 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) what provinces and Native States send students for training at the Forest College in Coimbatore;

(b) what on an average is the proportion of Madras students in this College; and

(c) whether the Provincial Governments and Native States which send students contribute proportionately to the recurring and non-recurring expenditure incurred over this college?

A.—(a) The Coimbatore College trains candidates coming from Bombay, the Central Provinces, Bihar and Orissa, Orissa Feudatory States, the Central India States, and Indian States of Southern India including Hyderabad.

(b)

	PER CENT.
1927–29	27·5
1928–30	6·2
1929–31	10·5

(c) The Governments of other provinces or the Indian States sending students to the College are charged for the education of every such student the sum of Rs. 1,500 per annum (Rupees 3,000 for the whole course) payable in advance. The stipends and travelling allowance of these students are also debited in the accounts to the Provincial Government or Indian State.